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Dear Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed on November 12, 2008, having a three-month period for response set to expire on February 12, 2009, please consider the following remarks.

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